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Group Art Unit: 3617  
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Title: LARGE-CAPACITY VEHICLE FOR TRANSPORTING PEOPLE,  
ESPECIALLY A RAIL VEHICLE, COMPRISING CARRIAGES  
THAT ARE CONNECTED IN AN ARTICULATED MANNER  
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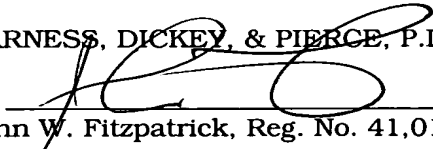
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby submit a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement for consideration by the Examiner. The Information Disclosure Statement filed December 3, 2008, disclosed the reference JP 50-100704 A. Attached herewith is an English translation of the Japanese Office Action of September 3, 2008 that cites JP 50-100704 A. The translation serves as a Statement of Relevance of the reference for the Examiner's consideration.

The above reference is being cited only in the interest of candor and without any admission that they constitute statutory prior art, contain matter which anticipates the invention, or which would render the same obvious, either singly or in combination, to a person of ordinary skill in the art. Furthermore, this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed as a representation that a search has been made.

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